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Youth Camp Advisory Committee Meeting

February 23, 2022 10 a.m.

**Robert Bernstein Bldg. Room K-100
1100 W. 49th St. Austin, TX 78756**



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Agenda item # 1

- Welcome, call to order, and roll call. (Jeff Mantia)



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Agenda item # 2

- Review and approval of the meeting minutes as written from the last meeting of the Youth Camp Advisory Committee (March 2021). (Jeff Mantia)



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Agenda item # 3

- Review of Youth Camp 2021 season, and updates for the 2022 season:

Youth Camp 2021 inspections and licensing numbers, upcoming pool rule changes, common deficiencies noted, and the impact of COVID-19 on camp operations. (Jeff Mantia)

Inspection numbers FY '21



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Youth Camps Licensed	Youth Camps Inspected	Youth Camps NOT Inspected
376	362	14
	(96.3%)	(3.7%)
14 NOT INSPECTED (OPERATING SCHEDULES NOT UPDATED, CLOSED DUE TO LOW ENROLLMENT OR COVID CONCERNS)		

Compliance Cases FY '21

- **3 cases sent to Compliance Review & Informal Conference**
- **3 cases were assessed, and paid a total of \$2750 in administrative penalties**



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Youth Camp Updates 2022



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POOL RULES: House Bill 2205

- From the 87th Legislature: **House Bill 2205**, effective September 1, 2021, amends Health and Safety Code (HSC) 341.0645 (Swimming Pools and Spas). The bill requires DSHS to adopt by reference the *International Swimming Pool and Spa Code (ISPSC)*, except for Chapter 1 related to permitting and inspection, Chapter 7, Onground Storable Residential Swimming Pools, Chapter 8, Permanent Inground Residential Swimming Pools, Permanent Residential Spas and Permanent Residential Exercise Spas, and Chapter 10, Portable Residential Spas and Portable Residential Exercise Spas. The bill will require major amendment of the current Swimming Pool and Spa rules that are located at 25 TAC 265, Subchapter L. There will be a significant effect on safety requirements and enclosure requirements.

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POOL RULES: House Bill 2205

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- The Consumer Protection Division will begin the rule amendment process with the **tentative** aim of an effective date of **January 1, 2023** for the new rules. Rule-writing activities will include:
 - Posting of draft rules for informal comments and
 - Posting of proposed rules in the *Texas Register* to allow for formal comments.
 - Dates for these and other opportunities for stakeholder engagement will be posted on this website: [Public Swimming Pools and Spas - Home \(texas.gov\)](https://www.texas.gov)

Common inspection deficiencies

Criminal background checks. Minimum requirement for camps is to have a list of their employee roster that documents each on-site **adult** employee has passed a criminal background check.

Sexual Abuse/ Molestation Awareness Training Certificates. Proof of each staff member's (**adults and minors**) training certificate must include the name of the course and approval number.

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Criminal Background Checks

VS.

Sexual Abuse & Molestation Awareness Training



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- **Criminal Background Checks**

- Annual.
- Only applies to adults.

- **Sexual Abuse & Molestation Awareness Training**

- Every 2 years.
- Applies to all employees or volunteers in a position involving contact with campers.

COVID-19 GUIDANCE FOR CAMPS



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- Guidance for Youth Camps operating during the COVID-19 pandemic currently remains unchanged. Please visit our homepage for any updates here: [Youth Camp Program - Home \(texas.gov\)](https://www.texas.gov/youth-camp-program-home)
- Link to current 6-8-21 COVID-19 guidance for Texas Youth Camps here: [YouthCamps CHECKLIST-FOR-DAY-AND-OVERNIGHT-YOUTH-CAMPS.pdf \(texas.gov\)](https://www.texas.gov/youth-camps-checklist-for-day-and-overnight-youth-camps.pdf)
- Additionally the above document references CDC guidance for operating youth camps here: [Guidance for Operating Youth Camps \(cdc.gov\)](https://www.cdc.gov/youth-camps/)

Youth Camp COVID-19 cases



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- **2021 COVID-19 CASES REPORTED TO THE PROGRAM**
- 43 CAMPS REPORTED CASES
- STAFF CASES – 131
- CAMPER CASES – 407



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Agenda item # 4

- Public Comment (any member may also provide comment)



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Agenda item #5

- Set next meeting date (Jeff Mantia)



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Agenda item # 6

- Adjourn (any member may make a motion to adjourn)



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Thank you for your participation

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